

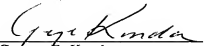
## REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed October 24, 2006 the Examiner rejected claims 1-3 and suggested some minor amendments to claims 4 and 15-17 because of informalities. To obviate the Examiner's 35 USC 103(a) objections to claims 1-3, those claims have been cancelled from the present application, with the Applicant reserving the possibility of pursuing those claims in a divisional application. The Applicant has amended claims 4 and 15-17 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions.

It is believed that all of the Examiner's objections have been overcome by the amendments to the claims, and the Applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner wishes to discuss any further aspect of this case in person with the applicant's undersigned attorney, I may be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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